~ Kevin's Kolumn ~

Remember that survey??

Recently, you were asked to participate in a survey to help you understand what spiritual gifts you possess. Paul reminded the Corinthians, "there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit." (1 Cor. 12: 4). He goes on to say in v. 7, "To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good." Any time I can use my God-given talents to help a fellow Christian, God is glorified. Not only is God glorified, the body of Christ is empowered to do greater things for the cause of Christ. You may or may not have chosen to take the Spiritual Gifts survey. While it's true our works don't save us, they do give God an indication as to how appreciative we are for all He's done for us. Even if you chose not to take the survey (which you still have opportunity if you've changed your mind!) there are ALWAYS things you can do to build up the church. Helping out around the building, visiting the Nursery School to lend a hand, visiting folks in the hospital, sending cards of encouragement, helping teach a bible class, working with young people, volunteering to help with MOPS, delivering food to those who are shut in or ill, taking time to help in our Training for Worship program, etc. You see, there are always things needing done! Paul reminded those in Corinth, "The body doesn't consist of one member, but MANY." (1 Cor. 12: 14). The way Christ's church has been designed to operate consists of ALL its members doing their part to the benefit of the whole. "Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it..." Use your gifts to glorify God and serve those around you. By allowing yourself to become immersed in service, you have a tendency to forget your own troubles. It also makes the person you're serving feel special. They need it...you need it and God expects it.

Have a blessed day and remember the One who gave it to you! Kevin

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Good Morning & Welcome! Prayer Requests

Continue to lift up Edwina Summers, Harold Phillips, Darrell Freeman, Kaylyn Lipscomb, Margret Brand, Joan Hall, Dallas Shaffer, Noah Miller, Jr., Sharon Little, Mary Smallwood, Marsha Kisner, Randy Kisner, John Pheasant, Becky McCoy, Pat Morris, Judy Securro, Francis and Joan Lough, David & Sandy Gooden and Buck Osborne in your prayers.

•Please keep the Nursery School teachers, the children and parents in your prayers as they will begin school on September 6^{th} .

♥Continue to keep Randy Kisner in your prayers. He had back surgery this past week.

♥Kim Dumire's mother, Jean Linn, is in Ruby Memorial with fluid building up in her lungs. Please keep her in your prayers.

♥Linda Huber has requested prayers for her sister, Patsy Roberts, who is having issues with her diabetes.

♥Tommy Tucker requested prayers for their neighbor on the passing of Rosemary Argiro this past week. Please keep this family in your prayers.

News and Notes

<u>Ladies Class</u> – The new Ladies Class will begin meeting this morning in the Upper Fellowship Hall. All ladies are welcome!!

<u>India Mission Trip</u> – Harry Summers will be here on Sunday, September 11^{th} at 6:00 PM to discuss with us his recent trip to India. Please make plans to attend.

 $\underline{\textbf{MOPS}}$ – The MOPS (Mother's of Preschoolers) will begin meeting on Wednesday, September 14th from 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM in the Upper Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions, please see JoAnna Kirk.

Congratulations!

We would like to congratulate Jason & Jenny Securro on the birth of their son that was born this past week. He weighed 8 pounds 2 ounces and 21 inches long. Mom and baby are doing fine. Also, congratulations to the grandparents, Jerry & Judy Securro!

HAVE A SAFE AND FUN LABOR DAY WEEKEND!